

*CITY OF ST. ANTHONY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 28, 2012, 7:00 p.m.
420 NORTH BRIDGE, SUITE A, ST. ANTHONY, ID, CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS*

PRESENT: Mayor Neils Thueson, Council Members Suzanne Bagley, Tom Erickson, Rick Hill and Russ Rubert.

ABSENT: Councilmember Bryant Biorn and Rod Willmore

ALSO PRESENT: Public Works Superintendent Scott Butigan, City Attorney Bill Forsberg, Police Chief Jim Smith and approximately five citizens.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Thueson at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Councilmember Hill.

PUBLIC HEARING - Establishing Charges for Connecting to Electrical Service at the Airport – Mayor Thueson opened the floor to the public to listen to any comments related to establishing charges for connecting airport hangars to electrical service. Thueson explained why power was being established at the airport and the fee for hooking up to electricity. The fee is to help assist the city in recovering the costs associated with getting electrical lines out to the airport for access to individual hangars. There was no one present wishing to comment and no written comment was provided from staff. Thueson then closed the floor for any further comment.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Proposal for Eagle Scout Project for a Plaque for the Army Tank/Reggie Law – Mayor Thueson thanked Reggie Law for coming to council and turned the floor over to him. Boy Scout Reggie Law said he would like to create some sort of sign and have a plaque made telling the history of the tank. Law provided council with some photos of existing tanks in other parts of the country with similar plaques. Law said he has contacted the Army regarding the tank and how it was used and is collecting information on it. He said the plaque would cost around \$750. Law said he would try to do some fund raising to come up with the needed funds for the plaque. Law asked council if they would be willing to provide some assistance by providing some funds for the plaque. He also asked if council had any ideas for beautifying the tank area by either placing a bench there or painting the tank itself. Councilmember Bagley asked if Law had a total cost for the project. Law said he did not. Bagley suggested the city could assist by placing something in the city's newsletter and in the utility bills. Mayor Thueson said something like this should first start with the Parks and Recreation Department. Thueson said he wants to place a rock in this particular park; a "Welcome to the City of St. Anthony" sign. Thueson thanked Law for attending the meeting and commended him for working on his Eagle Project.

Discuss/Accept Ordinance and Resolution to Prohibit Sharing Electricity between Hangars from the Same Meter – A motion to suspend the rules and the reading of Ordinance 2012-3 on three different days and that the ordinance be read by title only once

was made by Councilmember Hill and seconded by Councilmember Rubert. A role call vote followed with council members Hill, yes; Erickson, yes; Bagley, yes; and Rubert, yes. Motion passed 4-0. Erickson read the ordinance by title only. Mayor Thueson asked for any discussion. After a short pause, Thueson said he would entertain a motion. A motion to adopt Ordinance 2012-3, An Ordinance Amending Chapter 2.68 of the St. Anthony City Municipal Code to Prohibit Sharing Electricity between Hangars from the Same Meter was made by Rubert and seconded by Erickson. A role call vote followed with council members Hill, yes; Erickson, yes; Bagley, yes; and Rubert, yes. Motion passed 4-0. Thueson then read Resolution 2012-3, Establishing Charge for Connecting to Electrical Service at the Airport. A motion to accept Resolution 2012-3, Establishing Charge for Connecting to Electrical Service at the Airport was made by Erickson and seconded by Rubert. A role call vote followed with council members Hill, yes; Erickson, yes; Bagley, yes; and Rubert, yes. Motion passed 4-0.

Appointment and Confirmation of Ted Fronks to the Planning & Zoning Commission – Mayor Thueson said he has spoken to Ted Fronks about becoming a member of the Planning and Zoning Commission. Fronks has agreed. Thueson has appointed Fronks and is requesting council's confirmation. A motion to confirm the appointment of Fronks to the Planning and Zoning Commission was made by Councilmember Bagley and seconded by Councilmember Rubert. All council members present were in favor. Motion passed 4-0. Thueson asked council to continue to consider and talk to citizens to see if any would be willing to become a board member.

Discuss Street Sweeper (Butigan/Erickson) – Mayor Thueson asked if everyone coming in to council noticed the street sweeper in the parking lot. PWS Butigan said the sweeper is a very nice machine and works very well. Councilmember Erickson said next year's budget, 2012/2013, has the purchase of a street sweeper. However, in order to obtain the street sweeper at the reduced price it is only available now. Erickson asked council to approve the purchase of the street sweeper in this year's budget using reserves set aside in this year's General Fund Budget. Butigan said these sweepers are being sold for \$135,000 and this one is priced at \$85,100 and to wait until October to purchase would be at the \$135,000 price. Council agreed to spend the money to purchase the street sweeper in this year's budget and adjust next year's street budget by removing the purchase of a street sweeper.

Schiess & Associates report on West Main/Paul Scoresby – Paul Scoresby from Schiess & Associates said he is at the meeting to report they are working on the Preliminary Design. This has been placed on hold for a bit due to the discussions with Mayor Thueson regarding the loss of parking at the Ball Diamonds. Scoresby, Thueson and Butigan have been meeting to try and decide what the best options are in regards to drainage and parking. In order to provide the necessary drainage for the entire northern section of the city some of the ball park's parking will need to be taken up with the new street. Mayor Thueson said with any new street projects it will be required to treat storm drainage. Scoresby explained how the drainage will collect and where it will collect. Changing the parking around at the Ball Diamonds could be included into the project, however, there would need to be an additional environmental study, which could begin at about \$10,000. Mayor Thueson explained to council the expense of trying to do this within the project might be much more than just doing it outside the project as a land exchange between the city and Wadsworth. Currently, the city's property splits up the Wadsworth's property and the request will be to provide them the

city property and then they would have continuous property and the city would have additional parking for the ball diamonds when it is ever needed. The Wadsworth's are considering the exchange and are planning on getting back to the city. Thueson said he will contact Schiess and Associates as soon as he learns anything. Thueson said he would like to try and spend as much as possible on the road and not on the purchase of property. Scoresby said there is some room inside the budget for the contract on the environmental study. Thueson said it will still cost the city money and city crews can provide the same parking area for a lot less money. Scoresby said the approval of the Environmental and Cultural Resources Document is on hold with the State Historical Preservation Office until it is decided if the property from Wadsworth will be included in the project or not. This item is what is dictating the current schedule. Thueson said he should know something by Monday. Scoresby said one of the changes made is being dictated by the US Postal Service as mailboxes in the future will need to be on the street and not on the house. This can be included in the project. Another issue in the design is many of the water valves are ending up right in the curb. The north water line is the one creating an issue and will need to be discussed with the city. This is something Scoresby will talk to the Local Highway Technical Council about. Scoresby said they will review the upcoming meetings and confirm whether or not there will be additional public hearings and will keep the city updated on those decisions and follow the process outlined by the grant. Eventually, Scoresby and staff will be contacting every homeowner along the street.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jim Hobbs, 625 Park St., Member of the Planning & Zoning Commission, thanked council for their continued support and approval of the newest member. Hobbs reported the Planning & Zoning Commission continue to work on the revision of the zoning ordinance.

INVOICES & CLAIMS - Payment Approval Reports were presented to Council. A motion to pay the invoices and claims was made by Councilmember Bagley and seconded by Councilmember Rubert. All council members present were in favor. Motion passed 4-0.

MINUTES – Regular Council Meeting Minutes of June 14, 2012 were presented to council. A motion to accept the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of June 14, 2012 was made by Councilmember Bagley and seconded by Councilmember Erickson. All council members present were in favor. Motion passed 4-0.

DEPARTMENT, COUNCIL & MAYOR REPORTS

Police Chief Smith reported on the BMX competition at the Skate Park. Officer Packer reported on the BMX competition and how he is working with the kids who play at the Skate Park. Prizes were donated by different businesses and members of the community. There were about 15 to 20 children who attended, all from our community. The prizes given were related to their skill with the bicycles, i.e. parts and gift certificates to bike shops. Packer reported the event was very successful. Smith said the COPs grant has been approved. This is an \$125,000 grant over the course of three years. The commitment is for four years for one officer for the city. The city will have to hire a veteran or the city can hire back someone laid off in 2009. Summer school is over tomorrow. There was a fire at Targhee Trailer Court, started by a juvenile. The Skate Park camera and DVR (Digital Video

Recorder) quote is significantly higher than originally anticipated. Smith said he will continue to discuss this with Councilmember Rubert for options.

PWS Butigan reported they will begin digging at the airport to install the electricity next week. Chip sealing of the streets will begin towards the end of July. The city will have four tankers coming and will be able to complete about four miles of road.

Attorney Forsberg had nothing to report.

Councilmember Rubert reported attending the open house for the Idaho Art Lab.

Councilmember Bagley had nothing to report.

Councilmember Erickson had nothing to report.

Councilmember Hill said at the last meeting he asked some questions about hook up fees for water and sewer. Since then, PWS Butigan provided information and Hill said he would like to review with council the charges as compared to the city's ordinances as it should be looked in to. Mayor Thueson requested Hill to look into it and provide something for council's review.

Mayor Thueson requested Councilmember Hill follow up with the Parks and Recreation Committee to ensure they are holding regular meetings. Thueson also wanted to know if the council was interested in participating in the Pioneer Days Parade. Sugar City Council rides on their fire truck. Mayor said Clerk Parkinson said she is willing to get council into the parade as a float and just wants to make sure everyone is willing to participate. Rubert said he would be willing to participate. Bagley said she will have to bow out due to other commitments driving the D.A.R.E. vehicle. Erickson said he would be willing to support whatever council wanted to do. Thueson said he would visit with Parkinson about it and we'll come up with something.

There being no further business to come before the Council the meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:35 p.m. by Mayor Thueson.


Neils Thueson, Mayor

Attest:


Patty Unruh Parkinson, City Clerk-Treasurer

